

House Resolution No.

Whereas, it is always a proud moment when the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the achievements of such promising young citizens as Zakariah William "Zak" Ray of Lee's Summit, Missouri; and

Whereas, Zak has recently distinguished himself among a great many of his peers by earning the highest advancement award in the Assemblies of God Royal Ranger camping program: the coveted Gold Medal of Achievement; and

Whereas, a Royal Ranger for nine years, Zak will be formally honored with the Gold Medal of Achievement at a special ceremony to be held at the Church on the Rock Outreach Center on February 21, 2004, at which time he will be recognized for all his accomplishments as a Royal Ranger; and

Whereas, Zak had to earn a minimum of nineteen awards and complete numerous other feats before his eighteenth birthday in order to fulfill the requirements for this prestigious award, which has one more step for completion than the Eagle Scout Award; and

Whereas, a member of Royal Ranger Outpost 269, Zak has enjoyed recognition by earning forty-two merit awards, serving as Senior Patrol Guide and Patrol Guide, and attending the Ranger Academy for three years; and

Whereas, the Assemblies of God developed the Royal Rangers several years ago as a program ministry to men and boys, whereby the boys and their leaders are trained in practical application of Godly principles for living in order to reach, teach, and keep young men for Christ; and

Whereas, the son of Alan and Patti Ray, Zak has been given many valuable opportunities for enriching himself spiritually, physically, mentally, and socially while learning a great deal about the world around him:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in commending and applauding Zak Ray for his exceptionally meritorious efforts in earning the Gold Medal of Achievement, and further extending to him our very best wishes for continued success in meeting the challenges of tomorrow; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Zakariah William Ray.

Offered by _____
Representative Robert Johnson
District No. 47

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted _____, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker